

Amendment to the Claims:

Please cancel claims 10-13, without prejudice.

The listing of claims given below will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Original) A method for improving throughput in a wireless local area (WLAN), the method comprising the steps of:
 - buffering a set of messages;
 - identifying a target address for the set of messages; and
 - concatenating the set of messages based on the target address.
2. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the step of concatenating further comprises the steps of:
 - (a) eliminating a sync interval;
 - (b) preserving a message header;
 - (c) transmitting a subsequent message;
 - (d) transmitting the message header; and
 - (e) repeating steps (a) through (d), until a last subsequent message in the set of messages have been sent.
3. (Original) The method of claim 2 wherein the step of preserving further comprises the step of preserving a start of frame delimiter (SFD) and transmitting the SFD.
4. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the message is identified as a MAC protocol data unit (MPDU) type message.

5. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the message is identified as a PLCP protocol data unit (PPDU) type message.
6. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the step of concatenating based on the target address comprises identifying the target address as an unicast type address.
7. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the step of concatenating based on the target address comprises identifying the target address as a broadcast type address.
8. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the step of concatenating based on the target address comprises identifying the target address as a multicast type address.
9. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the step of concatenating based on the target address comprises identifying the target address as an unicast type address, a broadcast type address and a multicast type address.
10. (Canceled)
11. (Canceled)
12. (Canceled)
13. (Canceled)